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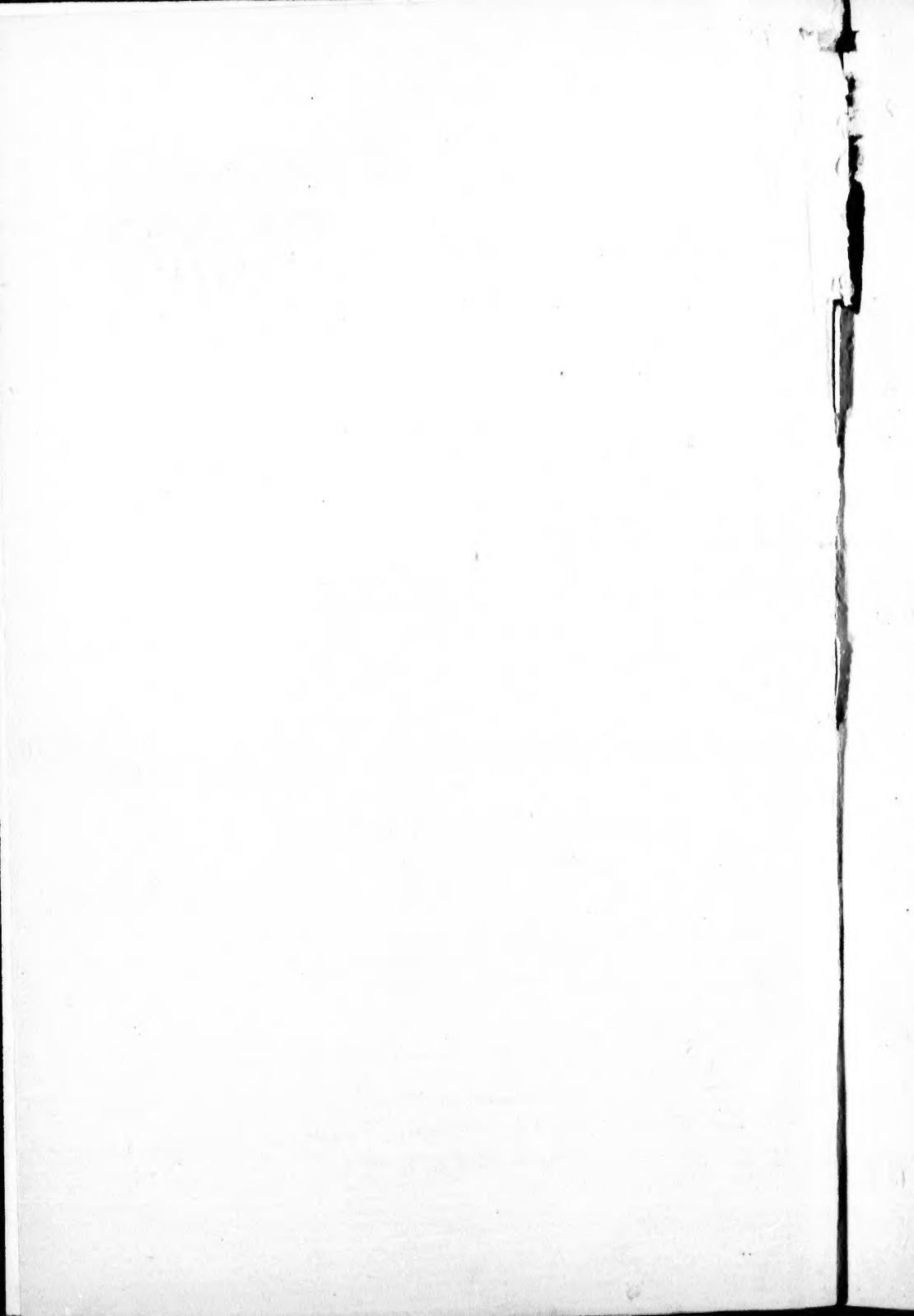
ITS MEMBERS AND OFFICE-BEARERS,

1883.

ITS WORK, ITS HISTORY, ITS DOCTRINES AND
COVENANT, ETC.

COMPILED BY H. C. CREED, A. M.

FREDERICTON:
H. A. CROPLEY, STEAM PRINTER, "CAPITAL" OFFICE.
1883.



FREDERICTON BAPTIST CHURCH.

ORGANIZED JANUARY 1, 1814.

Office-Bearers.

PASTOR.

REV. FREDERICK D. CRAWLEY.

DEACONS.

WILLIAM SEWELL,	HON A. F. RANDOLPH,
D. W. ESTABROOKS,	T. H. RAND, D. C. L.,
WILLIAM COOPER,	JOHN W. SPURDEN.

CLERK.

HERBERT C. CREED.

TREASURER.

ALLAN H. F. RANDOLPH.

ORGANIST.

MISS CLARA WHEELER.

CHORISTER.

M. S. HALL.

CURATOR.

N. T. WHEELER.

SEXTON.

CHARLES PARSONS.

Regular Meetings of the Church.

Public Worship on the Lord's Day at 11 a. m. and 6.30 p. m.

Prayer Meetings on Tuesday and Friday evenings, at 7.30 or 8 o'clock, according to the season; also, on Sunday morning at 9.30.

Communion of the Lord's Supper on the evening of the first Sunday in each month.

Monthly Conference of the Church on the Friday evening preceding the first Sunday in the month.

Missionary Prayer Meeting on the Monday following the first Sunday in the month.

Collections are taken at the public services on Sunday in aid of the current expenses of the Church, including the Pastor's salary. On the first Sunday in November, February, May and August, however, the collections, both morning and evening, go toward the various benevolent funds of the denomination. A collection in aid of the poor of the Church is taken monthly at the time of the Communion.

Sunday School.

ORGANIZED 1822.

Superintendent—JOHN W. SPURDEN.

Librarian—J. BURPEE MCALPINE.

Secretary—WILLIAM RUSSELL.

Organist—MRS. J. Z. CURRIE.

Statistics of School for 1882-83.—No. of scholars enrolled, 218. Average attendance, 156. No. in adult Bible Class, 15. No. in Primary Class, 30. No. of teachers enrolled, 16. Average attendance, 14. No. of volumes in Library, about 200.

Trustees of the Church Property.

HON. A. F. RANDOLPH, *Chairman*,
HON. JUDGE STEADMAN,
WILLIAM COOPER,
CHAS. L. HARTT,
RICHARD H. PHILLIPS, *Secretary*.

Financial Committee of the Church.

THE DEACONS.

Sisters' Committee on Church Work.

CONSTITUTED BY RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED JAN. 17, 1877,
AND DEC. 19, 1881.

President—MRS. A. F. RANDOLPH.

Secretary—MRS. T. H. RAND.

Treasurer—MRS. R. H. PHILLIPS.

Meetings are held monthly.

Woman's Missionary Aid Society.

ORGANIZED AUGUST, 1870.

President—MRS. C. SPURDEN.

Secretary-Treasurer—MISS E. J. PHILLIPS.

Regular meetings are held on the Tuesday following the first Sunday in each month.

Mission Band.

ORGANIZED SEPT. 1, 1880.

President—MRS. DR. CURRIE.

Secretary—MRS. H. G. ESTY.

Treasurer—MISS MAGGIE PORTER.

Regular meetings are held on the second Saturday in each month.

Extract from the Annual Report to the Association

FOR THE YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 1883.

MEMBERSHIP.

No. of members this year (May 31).....	309
“ “ reported last year.....	319
No. baptized during the year.....	4
“ received by letter from other churches.....	2
Gain	6
No. of members died.....	7
“ joined other churches in the Convention.....	4
“ joined Baptist churches elsewhere.....	5
Loss.....	16
Net decrease.....	10

CHURCH PROPERTY AND FINANCES.

Value of House of Worship.....	About \$18,000 00
No. of sittings in do.....	800
Value of Parsonage.....	2,500 00
Amount contributed and paid by the church for local purposes.....	7,197 83

Amount raised by the Church for the Convention Fund, <i>i. e.</i> , for Home and Foreign Missions, Education, etc.,	\$738 72
Other moneys raised (for Foreign Missions by the Woman's M. A. Society),	30 00

NOTE.—The amount raised for local purposes is made up of \$1,128.58 for salaries and current expenses, \$4,685.93 for the Building Fund, \$1,318.37 raised by the ladies for building and furnishing, and \$64.95 for the poor of the Church.

Local purposes.....	\$7,197 83
Denominational objects.....	768 72
Total.....	\$7,966 55

Alphabetical List of Members of the Church,

SEPTEMBER 30, 1883.

I. RESIDENT IN FREDERICTON AND VICINITY.

[B—Received by baptism. L—Received by letter. E—Received on experience. U—Received at the union of the two churches.]

Atherton, Emma	B. '76	Brown, Mrs. Arnold (Ida Manzer)	B. '76
Babbitt, Thomas E. B. '58;	L. '80	Burden, Mrs. James, Sr.	L. '67
“ Mrs. T. E.	L. '80	Carter, George D.	B. '76
“ Benjamin H.	L. '80	“ Mrs. G. D.	B. '76
“ Amanda A.	B. '80	“ John	B. '76
Babbitt, Mrs. Wm. (Amelia Currie)	B. '66	Case, Richard	B. '76
Babbitt, Annie	B. '80	Chase, Mrs. G. M.	B. '76
“ Isabel	B. '80	Chestnut, Mrs. Henry	L. '68
Bailey, Robert S.	B. '55	Clark, Mrs. Elijah	B. '55
“ Mrs. R. S.	B. '70	“ M. Alice	B. '66
Beckwith, Mrs. W. H.	E. '76	Clark, Thomas	L. '78
“ Minnie	B. '80	“ Mrs. Thomas	B. '78
“ Mary Emily	B. '80	Clark, Edgar L.	L. '83
Blizzard, Mrs. E.	L. '41	Collis, Robert	B. '49
Bolter, Mrs. George	B. '73	Cooper, William	B. '53
“ Sarah	B. '74	“ Kate	B. '76
Bradley, William	B. '76	Cowperthwaite, Mrs. (dism)	L. '78

Coy, Mrs. Asa	B. '29	Hartt, Charles L.	B. '41
" Havelock	B. '70	" Eugenia A.	L. '77
" Minnie	B. '76	Haviland, Mrs. Jas.	L. '74
Creed, Herbert C.	L. '74	Hay, George H.	L. '79
" Mrs. H. C.	L. '74	" Mrs. G. H.	L. '79
Croscup, George E.	L. '82	Hovey, Stephen J.	L. '78
Crouse, Lewis	L. '74	" Belle	B. '76
" Mrs. Lewis	B. '74	" Lizzie	B. '76
" Nancy	L. '74	Hughes, Rev. B. N.	L. '76
Currey, J. Albert	L. '77	" Mrs. B. N.	L. '76
Currie, Allison	B. '70	Hunt, Mrs. G. C.	B. '40
Currie, Thomas	L. '74	Ingraham, C. S.	U. '69
" Mrs. Thomas	L. '74	James, N. B.	L. '80
" John Z., M. D.	B. '67	" Mrs. N. B.	L. '80
" Mrs. J. Z. (Nellie		Johnson, May	B. '82
" M. Esty)	B. '66	Jones, Mrs. Thos. (Lucy	
" Willard	B. '76	" Hartt)	B. '41
" George W.	L. '65	" Mary Ann	L. '80
Darlington, Mrs. Julia	B. '66	Keirstead, Mrs. Jos. E.	B. '72
Dayton, Mrs. (Martha Cliff)	B. '80	Keith, Mrs. D. A. (Phoebe	
Delong, James	B. '76	" Magee)	L. '78
" Joshua	B. '76	Kincaid, Ida	B. '82
Dunphy, Mrs. Isabella	U. '69	Leonard, Edith	B. '75
Eatman, Mrs. J. D.	L. '80	" Maria	B. '75
" Effie M.	B. '80	Libby, Tena	B. '70
" Phoebe A.	B. '80	Lowry, Mrs. M. A. (Jessie	
Edmonds, Mrs. James	L. '63	" McAlpine)	B. '80
Estabrooks, Charles	E. '73	Mabee, Fannie	B. '80
" Mrs. Charles	E. '73	" William	B. '76
" David W.	U. '69	Manzer, Charles	L. '73
" Mrs. D. W.	U. '69	" Mrs. Harding	B. '73
" Elijah	E. '73	" Parker	B. '76
" Mrs. Elijah	E. '73	McAlpine, J. Burpee	E. '80
Esty, Frank	B. '76	" Emma	B. '80
" Henry G.	B. '76	" Maud	B. '80
" Mrs. H. G. (Emma		McCorquindale, Jemima	B. '76
" Spurden)	B. '74	McDonald, Charles	B. '76
" William	B. '76	" Odber	B. '79
Fletcher, George W.	B. '78	" Mrs. O. (former-	
" Mrs. G. W. (former-		ly Mrs. Miller)	B. '74
ly Mrs. Ham-		McIntyre, Mrs. Abraham	B. '76
mond)	L. '73	McMichael, Priscilla	B. '73
George, Mrs. D. F.	L. '73	McNally, James G.	L. '71
Gilbert, James	L. '74	" Mrs. J. G.	L. '74
Gough, Mrs. Martin	B. '58	" Nettie	B. '76
" Alice	B. '76	McNeil, Elizabeth	B. '81
Gregory, Mrs. W. O.	L. '78	Mead, William	L. '74
Guiou, Mrs. John	L. '59	" Mrs. William	L. '74
" Mrs. Wilmot	B. '55	Mersereau, Mrs. Catherine	L. '73
" Maggie H.	B. '80	Miles, Mrs. John	L. '78
Gunter, Mrs. J. B.	L. '74	Moore, Amelia	B. '70
Hagerman, Mrs. Moses	L. '74	Murdock, Mrs. Mary	E. '73
Hall, Moses S.	B. '73	Murray, Mrs. Maria	E. '73
Harding, Mrs. J. G.	B. '41	" Harry	B. '76
Harris, James	L. '71	Nicholson, Mrs. M. A.	B. '79

B. '41	Parker, Peter	B. '42	Showery, Mrs. Ann	B. '41
L. '77	Parsons, Charles	L. '78	Simmons, Charles W.	B. '80
L. '74	" Alice	B. '80	Smith, Aaron	E. '72
L. '79	Phair, Mrs. J. H.	L. '73	" Charles A.	L. '74
L. '79	Phillips, Mrs. J. P. A.	B. '41	" Nathaniel	B. '70
L. '78	" Elizabeth	B. '55	" Mary Ann	B. '70
B. '76	" Richard H.	B. '62	Spurden, Mrs. Charles	L. '44
B. '76	" Mrs. R. H.	L. '73	" John W.	B. '66
L. '76	" Maggie	B. '76	" Mrs. J. W. (Ida	B. '66
L. '76	Pickard, Mrs. G.	B. '71	Esty)	B. '66
B. '40	Porter, Mrs. T. H.	L. '70	" Eliza	B. '62
U. '69	" Maggie B.	B. '76	Tabor, Jesse W.	L. '74
L. '80	" F. Wayland	B. '80	Tapley, Amelia	B. '80
L. '80	Rand, Theodore H., D.C. L.	L. '72	Todd, Mrs. Murray	U. '69
B. '82	" Mrs. T. H.	L. '72	Turner, Mrs. G. W.	B. '58
B. '41	Randolph, Hon. A. F.	B. '66	Vandine, Mrs. Dow	L. '61
L. '80	" Mrs. A. F.	L. '58	Westal, Charles	B. '48
B. '72	" Allan H. F.	B. '80	Wheeler, Nicholas T.	L. '60
L. '78	Rice, Hattie	B. '80	" Mrs. N. T.	L. '60
B. '82	Rosborough, Lilly	B. '76	" Clara	B. '80
B. '75	Russell, Mrs. John	E. '66	" Minnie	B. '80
B. '75	" Rebecca	B. '66	Wiley, Mrs. John	B. '70
B. '70	" William	B. '70	" Lucy	B. '76
B. '80	" Emma	B. '76	Winter, Robert	B. '41
B. '80	Sewell, William	B. '25	" Mrs. Robert	L. '74
B. '76	" Mrs. Wm.	E. '73	Wisely, Sarah	B. '53
B. '76	" Mrs. O. (formerly	B. '76	" Alice Lee	B. '80
E. '80	Mrs. Sarah Pace)	L. '71	Yerxa, Abram D.	U. '69
B. '80	Sharp, Mrs. Emmeline	B. '76	" Mrs. A. D.	U. '69
B. '73	" Eliza	L. '77	" Gertrude	B. '70
B. '73	Sherwood, Joseph		" Mrs. Barclay	B. '82

II. RESIDENT IN OTHER PLACES.

B. '74	Adams, Mrs. Frederick (Amanda	B. '59, New Maryland, York Co.
B. '76	Nason.....	B. '75
B. '76	Arnold, Maggie Jane.....	B. '55, Brooklyn, N. Y.
B. '79	Babbitt, Sophia.....	L. '76, Machiasport, Maine.
B. '74	Beckwith, Rev. W. H.....	L. '58, Miramichi, N. B.
B. '76	Betts, Jane.....	B. '80, Los Angeles, California.
B. '73	Black, Mrs. Kate S., M. D.....	B. '55, Cardigan.
L. '71	Bolter, Elizabeth.....	E. '73, Andover, Victoria County.
L. '74	Brown, Mrs. (Sophia Densmore)...	B. '78.
B. '76	Carroll, Elizabeth.....	L. '73, Manitoba.
B. '81	Chase, George Milton.....	E. '70, Boston, Mass.
L. '74	Cliff, Mrs. Dr. (nee Yerxa).....	E. '65, Washington, D. C.
L. '74	Colton, Mrs. Andrew.....	B. '53, St. John, N. B.
L. '73	Colwell, Mrs. Capt. (Fannie Sewell)	B. '55, San Francisco, California.
L. '78	Cooper, George.....	B. '70, Kansas City, Missouri.
B. '70	" Frederick.....	L. '63, Maine.
E. '73	Cumming, Mrs. Jacob.....	B. '55, Cardigan, York Co. (dism.)
E. '73	Davidson, Mrs. George.....	B. '80, Andover, Victoria County.
B. '76	Davis, Robert H.....	L. '80, " "
B. '79	" Mrs. R. H.....	

Dickson, Mary C.	B.	'74.	
Dudley, John C.	B.	'74.	
" Mrs. John C.	B.	'74.	Boston, Mass.
" Lizzie.	B.	'74.	United States.
" Mrs. Abigail.	B.	'76.	Woodstock, N. B.
Dykeman, W. G.	L.	'75.	Lower Queensbury, York Co.
Ellis, Mrs. J. H.	L.	'76.	Charlestown, Mass.
" H. Bertrand.	B.	'76.	Acadia College, N. S.
Ellsworth, Mrs. Wm. (Lilly Winter)	B.	'70.	
Estabrooks, Charles.	E.	'73.	Canning, Queen's County.
" Mrs. Charles.	E.	'73.	" "
Esty, Annie.	B.	'76.	Nashwaaksis, York County.
Fales, Lucy.	B.	'70.	
Fisher, Mrs. Chas. (Eliz. Magee).	B.	'70.	Nashwaak, York County.
Fowler, Fanny.	B.	'53.	Nortondale, York County.
" Isaac.	B.	'76.	" "
Garcelon, Mariamne.	B.	'80.	Oak Bay, Charlotte County.
Graham, Sarah.	B.	'76.	United States.
Green, Samuel.	B.	'53.	Woodstock, N. B.
" John.	B.	'72.	
Gunter, Adolphus G., M. D.	B.	'70.	Charlestown, Mass.
" Mrs. Jane.	L.	'74.	
" Ida.	B.	'76.	Queensbury, York County.
Haines, John L.	B.	'58.	345 E. Forty-ninth St., N. Y.
" Mrs. John L.	B.	'58.	" "
Hallett, Mrs. (Sarah Huestis).	L.	'59.	Douglas, York County.
Harding, Mrs. Frederick.	B.	'76.	Upper Maugerville, Sun. Co.
" Alice M.	B.	'80.	" "
" George.	B.	'76.	" "
" Frederick.	B.	'67.	St. John, N. B.
" James A.	B.	'67.	" "
Harris, Rev. D. P.	L.	'77.	Newcastle, Grand Lake.
" Mrs. Aaron.	L.	'75.	
Haw, Miss.	B.	'60.	
Hendry, Mrs. C. T. (nee Wright).	B.	'58.	Florenceville, Carleton Co.
Jewett, Mrs. Dr. Henry M. (Minnie Wiley).	B.	'76.	Woodstock, N. B.
Jones, Mrs. Joseph.	B.	'42.	Wolfville, N. S.
Kelly, Mrs. Sarah A.	E.	'76.	
Knapp, Mrs. Angus (Susan Haud).	B.	'62.	United States.
Leek, Mrs. Chris. (Isadore Currie).	B.	'76.	Cambridge, Mass.
Leonard, Annie.	B.	'80.	Boston.
" Bessie.	B.	'80.	" "
McLeod, Lizzie.	B.	'67.	United States.
McMillan, Mrs. Daniel (Amy Wright).	B.	'63.	Boiestown, Miramichi.
McNally, Mrs. Daniel (formerly Mrs. E. Gordon).	B.	'55.	St. John, N. B.
" J. R.	B.	'67.	Boston.
" Mrs. J. R. (Eliza Burpee).	B.	'70.	" "
Mitchell, Mrs. John B.	L.	'74.	California.
Murray, Frederick.	B.	'76.	Allison, Mass.
Morgan, John B.	B.	'80.	Acadia College, N. S.
Niles, Sarah.	B.	'76.	
Norrid, Grace.	B.	'67.	

Parlee, Lillian.....	B.	'80, Tay Creek, York County.
Payson, Edna.....	L.	'83, St. John.
Perley, Susan.....	B.	'76.
Phillips, Edward R.....	B.	'76, New York City.
Piers, Mrs. Jane (<i>nee</i> Barker).....	B.	'55, King's County.
Plummer, Jane.....	L.	'75.
Porter, Christina.....	B.	'76.
" Theodore H.....	B.	'76, Acadia College, N. S.
Ruddick, Mrs. W. W. (Mary Russell).....	B.	'63, 149 Charles St., Boston.
Saunders, Samuel.....	B.	'55, North Cambridge, Mass.
Scribner, Mrs. Caroline.....	B.	'41, Fredericton Junc, Sunb. Co.
Sewell, Mary A. A. M.....	B.	'40, South Ryegate, Cal. Co., Ver.
" Mrs. Nelson (Hannah Bab-bitt).....	B.	'58, Maugerville, Sunbury Co.
Seely, Alfred.....	L.	'76, St. John.
" Mrs. Alfred.....	L.	'76, " "
Sloat, Delia.....	B.	'74.
Smart, Nathan.....	B.	'70, St. George, N. B.
Smith, Mrs. Israel.....	B.	'76, Carleton, St. John.
Starratt, W. W. P.....	B.	'80, Elgin, Albert County.
Steeves, Belle.....	B.	'80, Buctouche, Kent County.
Stickles, Mrs. Fred. (formerly Mrs. Wm. Wilkins).....	B.	'55, Osseo, Henn'n. Co., Minn.
Strickland, Mrs. David.....	L.	'30, Portage, York County.
Sutherland, Mrs. Sarah E.....	L.	'72, Sheffield, Sunbury.
Thompson, Rachel.....	B.	'59.
Tibbits, Mrs. Frances (<i>nee</i> Ring).....	B.	'40, Andover, Victoria County.
Todd, Thomas.....	B.	'70, Narrows, Queen's County.
Turner, Mrs. John.....	B.	'66, Riviere du Loup, Que.
" Mrs. J. C. (E. A. Esty).....	B.	'41, Clayton, Michigan.
" Chalmers.....	B.	'76 St. John.
Upton, Mrs. Abagial.....	B.	'53, Lakeville Cor., Sunb. Co.
Waller, Mrs. (formerly Mrs. Bruce).....	B.	'55.
Watson, James.....	L.	'71, Boston, Mass.
" John.....	B.	'53 St. Francis, Mad. Co.
Weeks, William J.....	B.	'33, Dartmouth, N. S.
Whelpley, Ida.....	B.	'75, Carleton, St. John.
Woodruff, Mrs. A. L. (Annie Beck-with).....	E.	'80, Machias, Me.
Woods, Mrs. Margaret.....	B.	'76.
Yandall, Caleb A.....	L.	'74, St. John.
" Mrs. C. A.....	B.	'80, " "
Yeamans, Lizzie.....	B.	'82.

	MALE.	FEMALE.	TOTALS.
Resident.....	67	128	195
Non-Resident.....	33	78	111
	100	206	306

N. B.—Errors and omissions in this list are due to imperfect information.

Memorable Events in the History of the Church and of the Baptist Interest in Fredericton.

1792.—*First Baptism* in Fredericton, so far as is known. Two or three colored persons immersed by David George, a colored preacher, from Shelburne, N. S., who had received from the Lieutenant Governor, in the same year, a license to preach to the people.

1802.—February 14th. Elder T. S. Harding and Elder E. Estabrooks preached "in the Play House (on Waterloo Row) to a very great audience," and the former baptized six persons—probably the first white persons baptized in this town.

1813.—Jarvis Ring, William Wilmot, Amasa Coy, H. Alline Hartt, and others, began to build a house in which the little company of Baptists in Fredericton might meet for the worship of God.

1814.—January 1st. *The Baptist Church in Fredericton* was organized by Elder Elijah Estabrooks. Thirteen persons besides himself met for the purpose at the house of Jarvis Ring. The *Meeting House* was occupied in April following, and completed soon after. It stood on the north side of King Street, below Regent Street, where a three storied tenement house now stands.

1822.—A Sunday School was organized in connection with the Church.

1824-25.—Fifty persons were baptized by Elders David James, Duncan Dunbar, Robert Scott and David Harris.

1831.—John Moss Coldwell, one of the Deacons of the Church, was drowned by the upsetting of a canoe while crossing the river (May 27).

1834.—The N. B. Baptist Education Society commenced the erection of the *Fredericton Seminary*. A "Domestic Missionary Society" was formed in Fredericton.

1839.—The first day of January was kept “as a day of fasting and prayer.” This was the beginning of the custom still observed, of meeting for thanksgiving and prayer on New Year’s Day. The new Meeting House was commenced this year.

1840.—The *new House of Worship* was opened, Nov. 8th. Rev. I. E. Bill preached the dedication sermon. In the spring, 21 persons were baptized by Rev. W. H. Beckwith.

1841.—Sixty-five persons were baptized by Rev. I. E. Bill.

1842.—Rev. F. W. Miles, Pastor of the Church, died in Fredericton, Feb. 1st., in the 37th year of his age.

1852.—Rev. S. Elder, Pastor of the Church, died at Philadelphia, May 23, having gone to the United States three weeks before, for the benefit of his health. Seventy-four members reported.

1855.—Forty-three persons were baptized and received into the Church by Revds. George Seely and C. Spurden.

1856.—Nine Trustees were elected by the Church, to be a body corporate, under the general Act of Incorporation, passed 1855.

1862.—The old pulpit and pews, originally in the Meeting House on King Street, were removed from the Vestry. One hundred and thirty-four members reported.

1867.—Seventeen members withdrew from the Church (in October), on letters of dismission, for the purpose of uniting with the newly organized “*Queen Street Church.*”

1869.—A *union* was effected (May 3) between the old Church and the Queen Street Church. The principle of *free seats* was adopted, and the doors were taken off the pews. It was decided that the term of office of all the office-bearers of the Church, except the Pastor, should be annual, subject to re-election.

1870.—Special meetings continued every evening for fourteen weeks; Elder Knapp was here for two weeks.

Thirty-four persons were baptized by Rev. C. Goodspeed. A *Woman's Missionary Aid Society* was formed here (in August) by Miss Maria Norris, afterwards Mrs. W. F. Armstrong.

1871.—The annual election of deacons and other officers of the Church was abolished. The "weekly offering" system was adopted.

1872.—The building of the *Parsonage* was commenced in May. One hundred and ninety-three members reported.

1876.—Sixty-nine persons were baptized by Revds. T. H. Porter and B. N. Hughes. Rev. Charles Spurden, D. D., died January 13.

1878.—Alterations and repairs made in the House of Worship, including the removal of the old pulpit and of the square pews on the sides, the painting of the walls and coloring of the ceiling, introduction of furnaces for heating, etc. (cost about \$1,000). Bazaar held in the Skating Rink on the 24th of May; net proceeds about \$1100. The principle of allotment of sittings was adopted June 10.

1879.—Improvements made in the Parsonage. The *Convention Plan* for the maintenance of denominational objects was adopted by this Church in October.

1880.—Union Meetings were held in the different churches in the city (not Episcopal), in rotation for two months following the "Week of Prayer;" D. L. Chubbuck, evangelist, was the leader. The Pastor of this Church, Rev. A. J. Stevens, died March 15th. Forty persons were added by baptism during the year, of whom 8 were baptized by the Pastor, and the others by Revds. B. N. Hughes (11), W. H. Beckwith (2), A. J. Padelford (5), I. E. Bill (7), and F. D. Crawley (7). The Vestry was enlarged in June.

1881.—The House of Worship was raised, enlarged and remodelled, at a cost of about \$4,400 (work began April 4).^{*}

1882.—(March 9th) The House of Worship was destroyed

* Rev. T. H. Porter died 1881, Nov. 26.

by fire. Corner-stone of the new building laid September 1st. Membership of the Church, at this date, 318, of whom 106 are non-residents.

1883.—The New Church edifice opened for public worship, Nov. 11. The Sunday services of the Church have been held in the City Hall, and other meetings in the vestry of the Free Baptist Church for about twenty months past.

Meetings of Baptist Associations and Convention in Fredericton.

The Association of N. S. and N. B., met here in 1817.

The Association of N. B. met here in 1832, 1837 and 1842.

The Western Association of N. B. met here in 1854, 1859 and 1872.

The Convention of the Maritime Provinces met here in 1848, 1870 and 1878.

Names of the Original Members of the Church.

*William Wilmot, *Ebenezer Estabrooks, *John Marsh, *Theophilus Ring, *Jarvis Ring, Henry Alline Hartt, Jacob Ring, *Hannah Cromwell, Olive Ring, Deborah Hartt, Ann Fraser, Amasa Coy, and Robert Fraser.

The first ten were dismissed from the Church at Waterborough, of which those marked [*] were among the original members (in 1800). To these thirteen, Sarah Cyphers and Mary Gunther were added by letter in March, 1814.

Number of Members added by Baptism Yearly.

1814—0	1831—0	1848—6	1865—0
1815—0	1832—0	1849—8	1866—20
1816—0	1833—13	1850—1	1867—16
1817—	} No Record.	1851—0	1868—1
1818—		1852—3	1869—0
1819—	} No Record.	1853—18	1870—34
1820—0		1854—0	1871—6
1821—	} No Record.	1855—43	1872—12
1822—		1856—3	1873—9
1823—0		1857—2	1874—12
1824—28		1858—20	1875—9
1825—22		1859—7	1876—69
1826—1		1860—1	1877—1
1827—1		1861—0	1878—4
1828—3		1862—6	1879—6
1829—14		1863—5	1880—40
1830—8		1864—	1881—2
			1882—4
Total,			445

Historical Record of Church Officers.

PASTORS.

Elijah Estabrooks,	1814 .	J. D. Caswell,	1852-54
Theo. S. Harding,	1820-23	George Seely,	1855-56
Charles Tupper,	1825	H. P. Guilford,	1857-58
David Harris,	1826-29	J. C. Hurd, M.D.,	*1860-67
Robert Davis,	1830-31	Chas. Spurden, D.D.,	1867-69
Frederick W. Miles,	1834-40	Theodore H. Porter,	1870-78
Ingraham E. Bill,	1840-42	A. Judson Stevens,	1878-80
William Hall,	1843-44	Fred'k D. Crawley,	1880
Samuel Elder,	1845-52		

* With an intermission of about eighteen months, 1864-66.

† Dr Spurden and T. H. Porter were co-pastors for about five months in 1875.

DEACONS.

William Wilmot,	1814-29	John L. Haines,	1859-70
Jarvis Ring,	*1814-44	William Sewell,	1859
Amasa Coy,	1814-30	John Guion,	1859-67
William S. Estey,	1830-81	D. W. Estabrooks,	1870
John M. Coldwell,	1830-31	William Cooper,	1870
Asa Coy,	†1830-74	A. F. Randolph,	1871-80
J. C. Watson,	1848-66	Thomas T. Coy,	1871-80
J. P. A. Phillips,	1848-51	Theodore H. Rand,	1876
John T. Smith,	1859-65	John W. Spurden,	1876

* With an interval of two years, 1829-31.

† With two intervals, 1854-59 and 1869-71.

TREASURERS.

Jarvis Ring,	1814	John T. Smith,	*1858
Zebulon Currey,	1826	John L. Haines,	1862
Asa Coy,	1830, 1836	Geo. C. Hunt,	1863
Z. G. Gabel,	1833	John L. Haines,	1869
J. F. Gale,	1848	R. H. Phillips,	1870
Rev. C. Spurden,	1855	John W. Spurden,	1871
Chas. B. Lincoln,	1857	A. H. F. Randolph,	1882

* From July, 1859, to Nov., 1862, all the business as well as the property of the Church was placed in charge of the Trustees.

CLERKS.

Theophilus Ring,	1814	Chas. L. Hartt,	1871
William S. Estey,	1823	Herbert C. Creed	1878
Richard H. Phillips,	1869		

CLERKS OF BUSINESS MEETINGS.

W. H. Needham,		T. R. Estey,	1848
Asa Coy,	1835	Chas. B. Lincoln,	1855
Samuel W. Babbitt,	1841	Geo. C. Hunt,	1857
C. A. Hartt,	1844	G. L. Shaw,	1859
J. F. Gale,	1847	R. H. Phillips,	1865-71

SUPERINTENDENTS OF SUNDAY SCHOOL.

1822, William Wilmot.

—, Samuel Currie.

—, J. T. Smith.

1840, Z. G. Gabel.

1846, Asa Coy.

1848, Rev. S. Elder.

1857, J. C. Watson.

1860, Rev. J. C. Hurd.

1865, Calvin Goodspeed.

1866, J. E. Hopper.

1867, Rev. Dr. Spurden.

1869, C. S. Ingraham.

187—, Rev. Dr. Spurden.

1874, Herbert C. Creed.

1878, J. W. Spurden.

BAPTIST MINISTERS WHO WERE AT ANY TIME MEMBERS OF
THE FREDERICTON CHURCH, OR WERE LICENSED
OR ORDAINED IN FREDERICTON.

Jarvis Ring, member 1814 to 184—. Ordained 1847.

R. E. Burpee, baptized by Robert Davis, 1829. Missionary to Burmah in 1845.

William Hall, received in 1842 ; licensed and ordained.

Sanford Boyce, ordained in 1842 as evangelist.

Samuel Elder, ordained pastor in 1845.

Isaiah Wallace, bapt. by Samuel Elder in 1848 ; licensed in 1852.

J. H. Hughes, (licentiate) member 1852-53.

Charles H. Corey, member 1853-55.

A. H. Munro, member 1854-57 ; licensed in 1854.

James White, licensed in 1854. [Ordained at Lubeck, Maine, 1856.]

John Goucher, member 1855—; licensed in —

G. Fred. Currie, baptized by Dr. Hurd in 1862.

B. F. Rattray, member 1863. [Previously a Free Baptist minister.]

J. E. Hopper, member in 1869. Ordained in 1867.

E. M. Keirstead, baptized by T. H. Porter in 1871 ; licensed in 1874.

E. W. Kelly, baptized by T. H. Porter in 1872 ; licensed in 1874.

Joseph Cahill, member, 1872-75 ; licensed in 1873.

Calvin Currie, baptized by T. H. Porter in 1872 ; licensed in 1876.

B. N. Hughes, member since 1876.

W. H. Beckwith, member since 1876.

D. P. Harris, member since 1877.

See also the list of Pastors of the Church.

Miss Carrie A. Hammond, missionary to the Telugus, was baptized by Rev. T. H. Porter in 1871, and was a member of this Church nearly four years.

Summary of Baptist Doctrines.

I. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were written under divine inspiration ; that they are the only infallible guide of faith and practice ; and that they teach the following among other important truths.

II. There is one only living and true God, the Creator of all, who is a spirit, infinite in every natural and moral perfection, and who has revealed Himself as the Everlasting Father, manifested Himself in the Lord Jesus Christ, His Son, and shown forth His grace and power through the Holy and Divine Spirit.

III. Man was created holy, but by wilfully transgressing the law of his Maker, he fell from that state and exposed himself to the consequences and just penalties of sin ; and, as an effect of this apostacy, all mankind possess a degenerate nature, disinclined to holiness and prone to evil.

IV. It is the purpose of God to save a people for His glory from the state of iniquity and condemnation in which all men are found, which salvation is promised to all who will have it, through the perfect righteousness and atonement of Jesus Christ, whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation for sins through faith in His blood, and in whom alone eternal life is to be secured.

V. By the operation of the Holy Spirit, men are led to true repentance and faith in the Saviour, thus becoming new creatures in Christ ; and all who are thus regenerated will be surely kept, by the power of God, unto eternal salvation, to which they were chosen, by His grace, before the foundation of the world.

VI. This divine choice or election is perfectly consistent with man's free agency, and comprehends all the means in con-

nection with the end ; it utterly excludes boasting, promotes humility, prayer and praise, encourages Christian activity, and is ascertained by its effects in those who believe the Gospel.

VII. Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Christ, to be observed by His Church until His second coming. The only proper subjects for these ordinances are professed believers ; baptism is nothing else than immersion in water in the name of the Lord, and, as the initiatory rite of the church, is a pre-requisite to communion at the Lord's table.

VIII. According to the example of the early Christians and of the church in all ages, the first day of the week is to be observed as the Lord's Day or Christian Sabbath, on which day, and at other convenient times, God's people should assemble for public and social worship.

IX. There will be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and the unjust, when the Lord Jesus Christ shall come to judge the world in righteousness. The finally impenitent will be driven away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous will be received into eternal glory and happiness.

Covenant.

We do now, in the presence of the great, all-seeing and most glorious God, and before angels and men, give up ourselves to the Lord Jehovah, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and own Him this day to be our God, our Father, our Saviour and our Leader, and receive Him as our portion for ever. We give up ourselves to the Lord Jesus Christ, and engage to adhere to Him as the head of His people in the covenant

of grace, and rely on Him as our Prophet, Priest and King, to bring us to eternal blessedness.

We acknowledge our everlasting and indispensable obligations to glorify God, by living a holy, righteous and godly life in this present world, in all our several places and relations; and we engage, by the assistance of the Divine Spirit, to improve our time, strength, talents and advantages to His glory and the good of our fellow men; promising, by Divine help, to walk as becomes those professing godliness, to maintain the worship of God in our families, and to train up those under our care in the ways of religion and virtue.

We also give up ourselves to one another in covenant, promising to act towards each other as brethren in Christ, watching over one another in the love of God, reproving, rebuking and admonishing one another for good as occasion may require. If we at any time know that any members of the church are guilty of immoral conduct, we will not expose it by telling it to others; and if we have any personal difficulty with our brethren, we will not cherish enmity or speak of our grievances to others, but will faithfully labor with them, according to the direction of our Lord, that sin may be put away from among us, and that iniquity may not be harbored in the church. We engage to watch not only against the most gross sins, but also against all foolish talking and jesting, which are not convenient, vain disputing about words and things which gender strife, disregard of promises and engagements, tattling and backbiting, spending time idly or at improper places, and whatsoever else is contrary to sound doctrine. We promise to hold communion together in the worship of God, and in the ordinances and discipline of His church, according as we are or shall be guided by the Spirit of God in His word,—expecting that He will yet further and more gloriously open His word and the mysteries of His kingdom,—applying to the blood of the everlasting covenant

for the pardon of our many errors, and praying that the Lord may prepare and strengthen us for every good work to do His will, working in us that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. *Amen.*

ADDENDUM.

The services in connection with the *dedication of the new church edifice*, on Sunday, 11th November, 1883, were attended by a large concourse of people, and were of a very pleasing character.

In the absence of the pastor, through illness, the dedication sermon was preached by Rev. I. E. Bill, D. D., of St. Martins, who took for his text Isaiah 60: 7, "I will glorify the house of my glory." Rev. J. E. Hopper, D. D., and Rev. Henry Cross, of St. John, Rev. J. H. Hughes and Rev. Jos. McLeod (Free Baptist), of this city, assisted in the services. Dr. Bill offered a dedicatory prayer at the close of the sermon. Dr. Rand, one of the deacons, made a brief financial statement, in the course of which he said the cost of the building, furnished as it stood, was about \$20,000, the greater part of which was provided for by subscriptions payable in four annual instalments. The ladies of the church and congregation had raised \$1,000 towards the furnishing, and had pledged themselves to raise \$1,200 more for the same object. Several handsome donations had been received from persons not connected with the body, which were accepted without scruple in view of the fact that the house was free and open to all alike for the purpose for which it had been erected.

In the afternoon, the preacher was Rev. H. Cross, whose text was Gen. 12: 2, "I will bless thee and make thy name great, and thou shalt be a blessing." The sermon in the evening was preached by Rev. Dr. Hopper, from 1 Tim. 1: 18, "War a good warfare."

In addition to the ministers named above, Rev. A. J. Mowatt (Presbyterian) and Rev. P. R. Knight took part in these services.

The sum of \$156 was obtained from the collections during the day in aid of the Ladies' Furnishing Fund.

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